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Appl. No.: 09/501,202 Group: 2697  
Filed: February 10, 2000 Examiner: T.E. Volper  
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**AMENDMENT**

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**October 14, 2003**

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated July 16, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This Paper includes:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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